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SENATE BILL

No. 305

Introduced by Senator Corbett

February 25, 2009

An act to add Section 17075.20 to the Education Code, relating to school facilities.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 305, as amended, Corbett. School facilities: construction: seismic mitigation.

The Leroy F. Greene School Facilities Act of 1998 establishes a school facilities construction and modernization program that requires the State Allocation Board to provide state per-pupil funding to applicant school districts. The act authorizes a school district that meets specified characteristics established pursuant to regulations to receive financial hardship assistance for school facility construction and modernization in cases of extraordinary circumstances. Extraordinary circumstances may include the need to repair, reconstruct, or replace the most vulnerable school facilities that are identified as Category 2 buildings and determined by the department to pose an unacceptable risk of injury to its occupants in the event of a seismic event.

Existing law requires the Department of General Services, in consultation with the Seismic Safety Commission, to conduct an inventory of public school buildings that are concrete tilt-up school buildings and school buildings with nonwood frame walls that do not meet specified standards. The Kindergarten-University Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2006 makes available up to \$199.5 million for the purposes of seismic repair, reconstruction, or replacement pursuant

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to the Hardship Assistance Program of the Leroy F. Greene School Facilities Act of 1998.

This bill would define "most vulnerable Category 2 building" for purposes of the above provisions require the Office of the State Architect, within its existing resources, to update the seismic safety inventory of school buildings and related report to more accurately identify building deficiencies in school facilities currently being used for public school purposes. The bill would require the State Allocation Board to use the information from this updated inventory and report to inform the development of eligibility criteria for the Seismic Mitigation Program, as defined.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 17075.20 is added to the Education Code, 2 to read:
- 17075.20. For purposes of subdivision (a) of Section 17075.10,
 "most vulnerable Category 2 building" means a building that meets
 all of the following criteria:
 - (a) The building is located where the short period spectral acceleration is 1.50g or more based on the 2002 United States Geological Survey National Seismic Hazard Maps adjusted for site class factors.
 - (b) The building is designed for occupancy by pupils and staff.
 - (e) The building type is either C1-Concrete Moment Frame, PC1A-Precast/Tilt-up Shear Wall with Flexible Roof, PC2-Precast Concrete Frame and Roofs with Concrete Shear Walls, or URM-Unreinforced Masonry Bearing Wall.
 - (d) A structural engineer provides a structural report that demonstrates the lateral force-resisting system of the building does not meet collapse prevention performance objectives and that includes the specific deficiencies and reasoning for concluding that the building has potential for catastrophic collapse.
 - 17075.20. The Office of the State Architect, within its existing resources, shall update the inventory and report prepared pursuant to Section 17317 to more accurately identify building deficiencies in facilities currently being used for public school purposes. The board shall use the information from this updated inventory and

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- 1 report to inform the development of eligibility criteria for the
- 2 Seismic Mitigation Program. For purposes of this article, "Seismic
- 3 Mitigation Program" means funding made available for seismic
- 4 repair, reconstruction, or replacement under paragraph (1) of
- 5 subdivision (a) of Section 101012.